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REPLY TO THE ATTENTION OF:

September 14, 2006

BY FAX

Mr. Thomas R. Krone
921 Curtiss Street
P.O. Box 249
Downers Grove, Illinois 60515

Re: 2732 Wisconsin Avenue
Downers Grove, Illinois

Dear Mr. Krone:

Thank you for your letter dated June 14, 2006, on behalf of your client Spannagel Tool & Die Co. ("Spannagel"). The United States Environmental Protection Agency ("U.S. EPA") appreciates Spannagel's previous cooperation with sampling efforts at its property at 2732 Wisconsin Avenue, Downers Grove, Illinois. U.S. EPA is about to undertake a Remedial Investigation at the Ellsworth Industrial Park Site (the "Site"). That investigation will build on previously gathered information, and attempt to further define the nature and extent of contamination at the Site.

U.S. EPA has developed a preliminary planning report outlining the general approach it will take for the Remedial Investigation. One area of concentration (Study Area H) is located to the north and west of Spannagel's property. In an effort to define the nature and extent of contamination in that area, U.S. EPA may wish to conduct sampling at the far northern end of Spannagel's property, as further described in this document (see in particular, page 48):

<http://www.epa.gov/region5/sites/ellsworth/pdfs/ellsworth-eip-ppr-appendix-c.pdf>

This request is made as part of a comprehensive investigatory approach to the Site. As described in Section 104(b) of the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation, and Liability Act, as amended ("CERCLA"), this sampling program squarely within U.S. EPA's authority to conduct investigations

necessary or appropriate to identify the existence and extent of the release [of hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants] or threat thereof, the source and nature of the hazardous substances, pollutants or contaminants involved, and the extent of danger to the public health or welfare or to the environment. In addition,

the [U.S. EPA] may undertake such ... investigations as [it] may deem necessary or appropriate to plan and direct response actions, to recover the costs thereof, and to enforce the provisions of [CERCLA].

42 U.S.C. §9604(b).

With this further explanation, U.S. EPA hopes that your client will agree to provide its consent for access. For your convenience, I have attached another copy of the consent form.

Please feel free to contact me at (312) 886-0562 if you have any further questions or concerns. Thank you for your consideration.

Sincerely yours,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Tom J. Krueger', with a stylized flourish at the end.

Thomas J. Krueger
Associate Regional Counsel

Enclosure

cc: Mazin Enwiya, U.S. EPA

CONSENT FOR ACCESS TO PROPERTY
2732 WISCONSIN AVE.
DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS

Name: SPANNAGEL TOOL & DIE CO.

Address of Property: 2732 WISCONSIN AVE.
DOWNERS GROVE, ILLINOIS

I consent to officers, employees, contractors, and authorized representatives of the United States Environmental Protection Agency (U.S. EPA) and the State of Illinois entering and having continued access to this property for the following purposes:

Conducting sampling and investigatory activity on the property;

Performing other actions to investigate contamination on the property that U.S. EPA may determine to be necessary; and

Taking any response action to address any release or threatened release of a hazardous substance, pollutant or contaminant which U.S. EPA determines may pose an imminent and substantial endangerment to the public health or the environment.

I realize that these actions taken by U.S. EPA are undertaken pursuant to its response and enforcement responsibilities under the Comprehensive Environmental Response, Compensation and Liability Act of 1980, as amended, 42 U.S.C. §§ 9601-9601-9675 (1997).

This written permission is given by me voluntarily with knowledge of my right to refuse and without threats or promises of any kind.

Date

Property Owner